

AN EARNEST APPEAL FOR CO-OPERATION.

ESSEX ALLIANCE, No. 885,
Halifax Co., N. C.

COL. L. L. POLK.—Dear Sir:—This Lodge was organized some time in June by Dr. V. N. Seawell, with about 14 members. We remained weak for sometime, but at last begun to grow and now we number some over 40. We have several to initiate at our next meeting and several applications on file. I believe it will not be long before all of our good men will be in to aid us in the good work that we expect to accomplish. They can plainly see the necessity of organizing against monopoly, trusts, &c. The profits of our labor are slipping through our fingers, and every day we are growing poorer, while the moneyed few are growing richer. This should no longer be the case. We all know how universally prosperous and successful all branches of industry are that have organized and have adopted the co-operative system, whether in running farms, manufactories or stores, they never fail to succeed. Then let us all remember that in union there is strength, and much strength, and stand together as one. "United we stand; divided we fall."

We have done but little towards the Agency Fund yet, but are now taking steps in that direction, even at this late hour, and hope soon to roll up a pretty good sum from this Alliance.

I cannot refrain from saying something of our great educator, THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER. We have some few subscribers here, and expect soon to have more. It is no doubt the most important paper the farmer can read. Yours fraternally,
PLAIN BOB.

LET US PERSEVERE TO THE END.

BETH CARR FARMERS' ALLIANCE,
Orange Co., N. C., Dec. 8, '88.

COL. L. L. POLK.—Dear Sir:—As we have been very still, and said but little about ourselves publicly, we feel that it is our duty to let our brethren hear from us, that they may know we are not asleep, but wide awake, watching the proceedings of our brethren. We admit that we have been a little slow to act in some things, but it was not for the want of faith in our order, but it has been on account of a desire to be careful in what we did. When we act, we want to go in the right direction, so we have been cautious in our acts. We said that we had been watching the proceedings of our brethren, and we will now say that we have been endorsing them. And our motto is to assist our brethren in doing all we can for the promotion of our cause. We do not believe in acting rashly, but let us be prudent in all our acts, and then we are on the safe side. We are now trying to get up our Agency Fund and we are going to succeed very well.

We are all aware that times are and will be hard, and money scarce, and especially with the farmers, but notwithstanding all this, we propose to do what we can. We believe in the "final perseverance" of the brotherhood, and if we will keep our shoulders to the wheel and persevere the goal is ours. I will ask two questions: Does the farmer want pay for his labor? Does he wish to buy at a reasonable price? If he wants these, surely he will act, and act promptly. Brethren, let us act conscientiously, and may our steps be wisely taken, and let there be no discord, then success is sure. Brethren, had you ever thought how fast our country is becoming wise? Why, there is more thinking, more development of the mind being made now than ever before in the history of the country. Men who were never known to speak in public or write for the press, are now becoming pretty fair orators and writers. We do not see the end yet. Brethren, let us persevere. H. C. ANDREWS, Cor.

THE CAUSE IN YADKIN.

PANTHER CREEK, N. C.,
December 10, 1888.

COL. L. L. POLK.—Dear Sir:—I have concluded to say a few words to inform the brethren that we are still at work in the good cause. We organized some time the past summer with eight members and remained with eight for some time, but the farmers are getting their eyes open and are coming in all right.

We are pleased with the prospects of the Agency, and we think it will accomplish great good, properly managed, and we will do all we can in contributing to the Fund. Our Secre-

tary has had no time to press the matter, but we will come in at the proper time. I say let us get to business at once. A bold, honest, determined effort will succeed and command respect from our enemies. Brethren, subscribe for our organ, THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER; it is certainly the paper for the farmers of North Carolina. It is doing more to educate the farmers than all the political papers in the State put together. Long may it live and prosper.

Very truly yours,
J. R. HAUSER.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

T. S.—When there are two or more blackbills, should the President question the members as to who cast them or can he compel them to tell?

Answer—The Constitution is very plain on this subject. If two or more blackbills are cast, neither the President nor any other member has any right to question any one regarding the ballot.

If a member sees another cast a blackball, can he tell it?

Answer—No. Has the President the right to call a meeting to reconsider an application that has been blackballed?

Answer—No. If the President thinks an applicant would not make a good member, should he instruct members how to vote?

Answer—No. As to voting on applications, the President has no rights not possessed by any other member.

Is the investigating committee a standing committee, or should it be appointed at each meeting receiving applications?

Answer—Each Alliance can determine this matter for itself.

Mrs. S. J. O.—Can members who do not subscribe to the Agency Fund share its benefits?

Answer—All members may share its benefits.

Alliance, No. 70.—Is a man who is staff correspondent of a political paper eligible?

Answer—No.

Is a man who is at work for an insurance company eligible?

Answer—No.

Is a Professor in a College, eligible?

Answer—If he resides in a town—No.

Is a village blacksmith eligible?

Answer—No.

F. A. I.—The wife of husband who is a merchant is not eligible. The husband of a wife who is a merchant is not eligible.

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